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GREEN MOUNTAIN GRAPE.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS,

NEW CANAAN, CONN.

Among the many testimonials received during the year of 1892, we submit the following:

Messrs. STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS.

North Haven, Conn., Jan. 6, 1893.

GENTLEMEN:—I purchased one of your Green Mountain grape vines in '91. The growth in vine this last season was over eighty feet and had 22 bunches of grapes. This I consider something extraordinary.

Yours truly,
MALTBY FOWLER.

Messrs. STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS,

Deland, Fla., Sept. 12, 1892.

GENTLEMEN:—I am in receipt of a box of Green Mountain grapes from your vineyard. They are of excellent flavor.

Many thanks,
E. H. MAYNARD.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS.

Kerrville, Kerr Co., Texas, Sept., 19, 1892.

GENTLEMEN:—Your favor of the 7th inst. and box of Green Mountain grapes to hand on the 14th inst. I am pleased to state they arrived in good condition. I took them to several gentlemen who know what a hothouse grape is, and they pronounced them excellent. They certainly do resemble a hothouse grape, and come up to what you state them to be.

Yours respectfully,

N. E. ATCHESON.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

Spring Grove, Minn. Aug. 12, 1892.

GENTLEMEN:—The sample of Green Mountain grapes, which you kindly sent me by mail, arrived in splendid condition. They are the best grapes I ever tasted, and it was a surprise to me that they were already ripe. The Concord is green and hard yet out this way.

Respectfully yours,

O. M. BRENNEY.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

Marshall, Ala., Sept. 13, 1892.

GENTLEMEN:—I received sample of the Green Mountain grape to-day, for which please accept thanks. It was in good condition, and is a splendid grape in taste and form, far ahead of any grape I have ever seen in this country heretofore.

Yours truly,

W. F. HAYES.

Messrs. STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

Seneca, N. Y. Sept. 13, 1892.

GENTLEMEN:—The sample box of grapes received, and we are very much pleased with same. We are confident that this grape fills a place in the market that has hitherto been vacant. Any one may be proud of having such an acquisition.

Thanking you for your remembrance, we are, respectfully,

W. P. RUPERT & SONS.

Oswego, N. Y. Sept. 19, 1892.

Messrs. STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS.

GENTLEMEN:—I received in answer to my request specimens of your Green Mountain grape in good condition.

According to my taste, they fully bear testimony to the recommendations you have given them.

I have submitted them to several persons, among others, fruit dealers, and they all unite in giving them the highest praise, pronouncing them unequalled, in some respects, by any variety they had ever met with. They are refined and very sweet, and entirely free from any objectionable quality.

I am under obligations for your courtesy in sending them to me.

Very respectfully,

J. B. HIGGINS.

Sterling, Ill., Sept. 8, 1891.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS.

DEAR FRIENDS:—The Green Mountain grapes you sent to me on the 3d, arrived on the 5th safe, sound, and fresh as if just cut from the vines. "Oh, how delicious, how refreshing they are!" is the common expression I hear of all after tasting them, and so sweet.

Yours most obediently,

S. B. HENDRICKS.

Omaha, Nebraska, Sept. 16, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

GENTLEMEN:—The package of your Green Mountain grape sent us as announced in your letter of Sept. 2, reached us Sept. 6. We took the package with us to Nebraska State Fair, and it was not opened till we reached Lincoln on Sept. 6, noon. The box was opened in the office of Secretary R. W. Furnas, and the fruit was found to be in almost perfect condition after its trip of 1,500 miles. It was sampled by Mr. Furnas, and others and pronounced excellent by all. The samples were then placed in the horticultural exhibit, in a prominent position, and properly labeled. We did not remain at our fair till it closed, so do not know the disposition made of them.

Yours, etc.,

H. F. MCINTOSH.

Ripon, Wis., Sept. 12, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS.

DEAR SIRS:—Your package of Green Mountain grapes came in due time in good condition. I am highly pleased with the quality and appearance of the grapes and am fully satisfied that it will prove a great acquisition in grape culture, especially in this latitude.

Respectfully yours,

H. W. WOLCOTT.

Marshall, Mich., Sept. 12, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS.

DEAR SIRS:—In reply to yours of recent date, mailed the 8th, and reached here the 10th at 4 P.M., the fruit was in good order and fine. I must say it is better than I thought, and I am well pleased. Those who have seen the fruit and bought some of the vines are well pleased. I can send some orders to you so you can ship in Spring.

Accept my thanks for the fruit. The vines set out here are fine and healthy.

Yours truly,

I. F. LONG.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Sept. 6, 1892.

Messrs. HOYT'S SONS.

DEAR SIRS:—I received the box of Green Mountain grapes to-day. Accept my thanks for the same. They are elegant, the finest flavored I ever tasted. You have not recommended them too highly; they deserve all the praise that can be given them. They were in fine condition on arrival.

Yours truly,

HENRY S. BRENNER.

324 Greenwood Ave.,
Kankakee, Ill., Sept. 10, 1892.

Messrs. STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

GENTLEMEN:—The box of grapes received this P.M. They were in very good condition and I am much pleased with them. They are my choice—I think very hard to beat. Please accept my thanks for the grapes.

Very truly yours,

JACOB MYERS.

Monroe, Mich., Sept. 12, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

The sample box of the Green Mountain grapes was received the 9th inst. in first-class condition. They are very nice and of good flavor. I passed them around, as far as they went, Saturday. Everybody says it is the sweetest grape they ever tasted. One man who said last spring he would not pay a dollar for one vine, says he will take three or four for spring.

F. J. WALLINEGR.

The Household, 50 Bromfield Street, Boston, Sept. 7, 1892.

Messrs. STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

GENTLEMEN:—Please accept our thanks for your favor of the 2d inst., which was accompanied by the gift of Green Mountain grapes that were delicious.

Yours very truly,
THE HOUSEHOLD CO.

Brockton, Mass., August 29, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS.

DEAR SIRS:—In the spring of 1890 I ordered a vine of Green Mountain grape. It is very hardy, a good grower and a great bearer, and the earliest grape I have seen. The quality is very fine; fruit ripens the last of August. I have been looking for such a grape for 20 years, and have bought many kinds, but have been disappointed until I got the Green Mountain. One good thing about it is that it ripens before frost. You cannot praise it too highly.

Yours truly,

B. F. BATTLES.

Office of FAIRMOUNT NURSERY,

Hancock, N. H., Sept. 20, 1892.

Messrs. STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS.

DEAR SIRS:—Please pardon delay in acknowledging receipt of sample of Green Mountain grapes, which came to hand in fine condition. They are truly delicious, and the clusters are much larger and more compact than I expected. I have given samples to several parties who are good judges of nice grapes, and they pronounce them *fine*.

Yours truly,

ALFRED BARBER.

Summit, R. I., Sept. 16, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS.

GENTLEMEN:—Thanks for the sample of Green Mountain grape. It is simply delicious. We call it superior to any grape we have tested.

Yours respectfully,

MOORE & HALL.

Vernon Centre, Conn., Sept. 10, 1892.

Messrs. STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

DEAR SIRS:—The box containing sample of Green Mountain grape received. Many thanks. The clusters were in perfect condition. It is the most delicious grape I have ever tasted. Did not suppose so hardy a grape could be so delicious. Very truly,

F. B. TUTTLE.

Trumbull, Sept. 25, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS.

GENTLEMEN:—The Green Mountain grape vine I got of you one year ago last spring beats its own record this year. They were large and of very fine flavor. There were 125 bunches. We commenced to pick Aug. 22d, and we picked the last on Sept. 15, and they were free from mildew and rot. Others by their side rotted badly. Mildew also affected a good many of my other kinds.

Yours truly,

L. A. HAWLEY.

Trumbull, Sept. 25, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS,

GENTLEMEN:—I received from L. A. Hawley a sample of your Green Mountain grapes. They are the finest grapes I ever ate. They are grand, so sweet and nearly free from seeds. They cannot be beat.

Respectfully,

F. S. STERLING.

RYE NURSERIES, Rye, N. Y. Sept. 5, 1892.

Messrs. STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

DEAR SIRS:—I received a basket of Green Mountain grapes from you on Friday, Sept. 2. Thanks.

Yesterday (Sunday) quite a number of experienced gardeners called here. They all, without exception, pronounced the Green Mountain grape as one of great merit, and undoubtedly the best white grape under cultivation. I also enclose a testimonial from one of the best gardeners and exotic grape growers we have in our State, Mr. J. Shore.

Harrison, Westchester Co., N. Y., Sept. 2, 1892.

I received to-day from a friend a bunch of Green Mountain grape. It is the best of its class I have ever eaten.

JOHN SHORE,

Gardener to W. H. Macy.

HARTWICK SEMINARY, N. Y., Sept. 16, 1892.

Messrs. HOYT'S SONS.—I received the sample of Green Mountain grapes you sent by mail, in good order, and am very much pleased with them, and all who have seen them, without an exception, pronounced them as fine a grape as they ever tasted.

J. H. WEEKS.

A letter received from a friend Sept. 1, 1892, has the following postscript:

Norwalk, Conn., Aug. 31, 1892.

DEAR FRIEND HOYT:—I have just received a letter from sister in Washington who closes her letter as follows: "Tell Mr. Hoyt my little grape vine had a peck of grapes and they were as sweet as sugar. They ripened the first of August and are now all gone."

You will remember that this is the second year's growth, and has stood all the heat of the Southern sun throughout the day without being shaded, so I think its adaptation to the Southern market is well established.

As ever,

A. H. BYINGTON.

[From the *Vineyardist*, Sept. 15, 1892, published at Penn Yan, N. Y.]

We briefly announced in the September 1st number of this paper, just before going to press, the reception from Stephen Hoyt's Sons, New Canaan, Conn., of specimen Green Mountain grapes by mail, and now desire to notice them more fully.

They came packed in "cork dust," and arrived in perfect condition—two large, beautiful and heavily shouldered clusters, perfectly ripe, and of delicious sweetness and flavor. This grape, which is becoming a great favorite, is of a semi-transparent olive green color, and only slightly tinged with yellow, even when fully ripe; large and long bunches (one of these had 120 berries, and the other seemed still larger), and the fruit fine and juicy, with few and small seeds: the berries, somewhat smaller than the Concords, and thinner skinned, but firm for its thickness.

We do not think the propagators in their advertisement of the "Green Mountain"—which is published in the *Vineyardist*—have at all overdrawn it; and we have no hesitation in pronouncing it really the best early grape that has yet come under our observation and inspection. Its earliness (two weeks ahead of the Concord) and its excellent table qualities will rapidly bring it into popular favor, and doubtless give it a wide dissemination, as, like the Concord, it is very hardy, and bound to flourish well over a wide territory of country.

The following have been received from Agricultural Experiment Stations. Another season we hope to receive more.

East New Market, Md., Sept. 19, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

GENTLEMEN:—Replying to your favor asking the result of trial of Green Mountain grape, I give following report: Vine vigorous, healthy; fruit ripens several days earlier than any other variety, bunches long and compact, bears more than any other of 45 varieties set at same time. As this ripens when we have no other, it can be called the only variety we could not dispense with and have others of their season to closely resemble them.

Unfortunately I set strawberries in my trial vineyard, and the grapes have not done as well as if they could have been given better culture. Under comparative neglect, the Green Mountain is the best of all. Your description of the grape at time of introduction is exactly what it is doing here.

Yours truly,

ROBERT GULICK.

Newark, Del., Aug. 27, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

SIRS:—The vines of the Green Mountain grape that you sent to this station in the spring of 1890, have this season made a very vigorous growth. The vines are at the present time perfectly healthy. The first was fully ripe Aug. 23d. The two vines produced 33 bunches of fruit that weighed five pounds. The quality is very fine; the pulp is sweet and of a delicious flavor. We are very much pleased with the quality and appearance of the fruit.

Very respectfully,

M. H. BECKWITH.

Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, Columbus, Aug. 26, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

DEAR SIRS:—The Green Mountain grape is just ripening, and we find extreme earliness to be one of its merits. The vines are healthy, vigorous and productive, while the grapes are of excellent quality.

The vines passed through the winter in good shape, although the thermometer registered 18° below zero, and many other varieties were considerably injured.

Yours truly,

W. J. GREEN.

Oregon State Agricultural College, Corvallis, Oregon, Sept. 23, 1892.

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS, New Canaan, Conn.

GENTLEMEN:—Sample box of Green Mountain grape received with many thanks. They came through quite fresh and without any of the berries being bruised in any way. It certainly is a very fine variety. They have made me quite long for our vines to fruit. "The proof of the pudding is the eating of it." Therefore I shall be able to give it a good name among my friends, before the vines bear here.

Yours very respectfully,

GEORGE COOKE.

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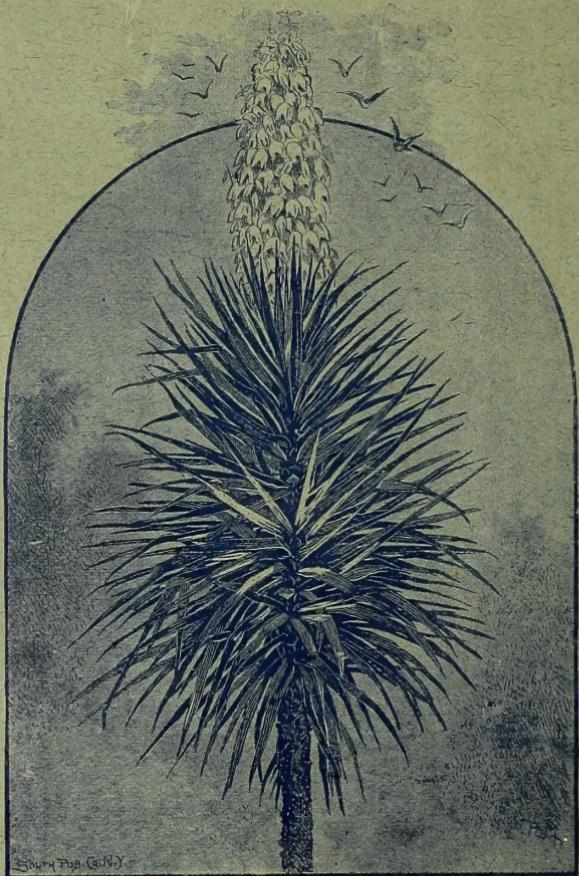
The perfect arrangement of flowering plants, trees, shrubs and evergreens on your grounds, as well as their careful and proper planting, is a matter of prime importance to all who wish to secure results that will be permanent, pleasing to the eye, and profitable.

To do justice to good stock and obtain the best possible and most lasting results in the shortest possible time, is, without doubt, the object of all purchasers, and to secure them that satisfaction, we beg to announce to our customers and friends generally, that we have made arrangements with competent landscape gardeners and planters, and are prepared to contract on reasonable terms for grading, planting and landscape work generally. Also to furnish plants for the embellishment of grounds, from villas to public parks.

Yours very truly,

STEPHEN HOYT'S SONS,

New Canaan, Conn.



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